
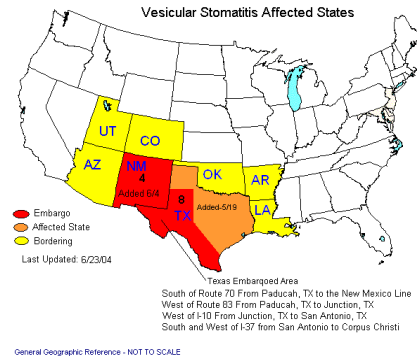




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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas State Veterinarian
FROM: Dr. Robert Stout
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CC: State Veterinarians
AZ, AR, CO, LA, OK and UT
DATE: June 23, 2004
SUBJECT: VS Affected Area Extended



With information received earlier this morning that equine on 4 premises in Starr County Texas and a single premise in Dimmit County Texas have been diagnosed with Vesicular Stomatitis, Kentucky's Administrative Regulation 302 KAR 20:115E will now prohibit the entry of all livestock, wild and exotic animals from entering Kentucky from New Mexico and the VS Affected and Embargoed portions of Texas identified as being:

South of Route 70 from Paducah, TX going west to the New Mexico Line
West of Route 83 from Paducah going south to Junction, TX
West of I-10 from Junction going southeast to San Antonio
South and West of I-37 from San Antonio southeast to Corpus Christi.

In addition all livestock (including horses), wild and exotic animals originating from the non-embargoed areas of Texas are required to meet the following conditions prior to entering Kentucky.

1. Be tested and found negative to Vesicular Stomatitis using the C-Elisa Test.
2. Have an entry permit issued by this office recorded on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
3. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection within ten (10) days containing the following statement: "Animals represented on this certificate of veterinary inspection have not originated from a premise or area under quarantine for vesicular stomatitis or a premise on which vesicular stomatitis has been diagnosed in the past thirty (30) days or from the area of Texas restricted from entry into Kentucky, as designated as of this date. I have examined the animals and have found no signs of vesicular stomatitis."

Also, 302 KAR 20:115E requires that all equidae entering Kentucky from a state which has a common border with affected states be accompanied upon their entry into Kentucky with a negative test for VSV. The sampling shall be conducted during the ten (10) day period prior to the animal's entry into Kentucky.

States which are sending equine into Kentucky that are required to be accompanied with a negative Vesicular Stomatitis test are Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Utah. In addition all livestock from the non-restricted areas of Texas are required to be tested VS negative using the C-Elisa test.

Information regarding Kentucky's embargos can be found on the internet at www.kyagr.com